which say that matters not before the House, should not be raised immediately. He may kindly mention to me before I come to the dias. In fact I was ready and available. Even now I am saying that he can meet me at 3 O'clock and not even tomorrow. If I am satisfied I will allow him to raise it even at 3-30 p. M.

STATEMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER re: Free Water Supply to Citizens of Bangalore.

- Sri S. SIVAPPA (Shravanabelagola).—Sir, you were pleased to direct the State Government to make a statement regarding free water supply in Bangalore City which has caused so much anxiety. Now the Hon'ble Chief Minister is present. I hope be will make a statement satisfying all the demands put forth by the citizens.
- Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA (Chief Minister).—Sir, I was just getting up to ask your permission to make a statement.

With a view to restoring the concession of free allowance of water which was admissable prior to 1st March 1965 both the City of Bangalore Municipal Corporation Act 1949 and the Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Act, 1964 have been suitably amended in the City of Bangalore Municipal Corporation (Amendment) Act 1966 which received the assent of the Governor on the 28th March 1966. According to this amendment, which has been inserted as Section 149-A of the Corporation Act, the Corporation can make such contribution to the Bangalore Water Supply Board for supply of water for the benefit of such classes of inhabitants of the city in accordance with such arrangement as the Corporation may enter into with the Board. In pursuance of this provision, negotiations are going on between the Corporation and the Board, to arrive at a reasonable arrangement which could ensure the restoration of the facility of free allowance of water which the residents of Bangalore were hitherto enjoying. I may add that these negotations are going on and I expect within two weeks the entire matter will be settled.

STATEMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER.

re: the Scarcity of Kerosene and diesel oil in Dharwar District.

Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA.—If I am permitted, I would like to make another statement regarding the kerosene and diesel oil.

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Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA .- Regarding kerosene, the State's requirements based on the allocations and consumptions in 1964 is like this. As assessed by the department we want 10,000 tons; as assessed by the oil Companies it is 13,000 tons and the Government of India's allocation is 9,200 tons. Regarding the light diesel oil requirements of the State, our assessment is 1000 tons per month and the present supply is 700 tons. High speed diesel oil our assessment is 12,000 tons, oil companies assessment is 18,000 tons-supply is not yet made and allotments have to be made. Regarding the furnace oil 7,000 tons is assessed per month but no positive allotment is made so far. I have been contacting the oil concerns, Caltex, Esso, Burma Shell and Indian oil Company. I am told that there are certain allotments made to each company and there seems to be some difference of opinion among them. But I have been assured that supply will be made. Light diesel oil is required in South Kanara. I learn from the representative of the I.O.C. that it is on the way from Madras and likely to reach South Canara very soon. Similarly kerosene is moving up and within three or four days the supply will be reaching the destinations and there would be less trouble. about it.

CONSIDERATION OF THE LETTER FROM SRI NAGAPPA ALVA.

Mr. SPEAKER.—There is one more matter before I call upon the Minister to move the Bill. There is a letter from Sri Nagappa Alva. After the Business Advisory Committee meeting it will be taken up.

MYSORE GIFT GOODS (UNLAWFUL POSSESSION) (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1966.

(Introduction)

Sri S. R. KANTHI (Minister for Education).—Sir, I beg to introduce:

"the Mysore Gift Goods (Unlawful Possession) (Amendment) Bill, 1966".

Mr. SPEAKER.—The Mysore Gift Goods (Unlawful Possession) (Amendment) Bill, 1966 is introduced.